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**REMARKS** 

In the Advisory Action, the examiner indicates that claims 1-7 are allowed. In order to

place the application into condition for allowance, the remaining claims have been canceled.

The applicants have canceled claims 8 – 14 since the office action indicated that claims 1

- 7 are allowable. However, the applicants do not concede that other features in the claims are

found in the prior art.

The applicants wish to clarify for the record, if necessary, that the claims have been

amended to expedite prosecution. Moreover, the applicants reserve the right to pursue the

original subject matter in a continuation application.

In view of the forgoing, the applicants respectfully submit that this application is in

condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions

relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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